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Faculty member Chris Dickinson leads a Brass Methods class in one of Cogswell's new rehearsal halls. Photograph by Keith Boyer

BACK COVER:

"Bright Spot." Photograph by Barry Reeger

REBUILD & RENEW

For a year and a half, Lorraine Wilson watched and waited as Cogswell Hall—her musical home at Indiana University of Pennsylvania—was transformed from a well-worn building to a state-of-the-art facility.

For three semesters, students, faculty, and staff from the Department of Music found themselves spread out to ten different locations on campus, often lugging tubas and percussion equipment from place to place in snow and rain and wind.

“They never complained. Never whimpered,” Wilson, the department chair since 2000, said. “No matter what the weather, they kept moving faithfully along, because they had their eyes on the prize.”

Rebuilding and renewal have been a theme for Wilson, not only in her life at IUP but also in her hometown of New Orleans. When Hurricane Katrina swept in to devastate the city and its people, Wilson felt a personal loss.

The hurricane destroyed the home Wilson and her husband, Jim, owned in the city, but she also worried about the loss of a unique and rich culture that had shaped her

life. As the months have gone by, her worries have turned to conviction.

“I’ve gained that spirit of renewal,” Wilson said. “We’re going to rebuild. I know it’s going to take a very long time.”

For Wilson, New Orleans will always be home. Her family has deep roots in the city.

“In the summer, as a child, I felt deprived,” Wilson said. “All of my classmates were going to rural areas to visit relatives. I could only go uptown or downtown to see my relatives.”

As a young girl, Wilson was surrounded by music. Her neighborhood was filled with musicians, including banjo player Johnny St. Cyr, who played with Louis Armstrong.

Nobody in her family played professionally, but there were “music lovers in my family. They enjoyed listening to music. Later, my children would play clarinet, cello, violin, French horn, and flute while attending elementary and high school. In college, my daughter Arianne played French horn, while Angele pursued classical ballet lessons.”

Growing up in a devoutly Christian family, Wilson always heard hymns being sung in her home. “My beloved mother and grandparents, dearest uncles and aunts were the strong motivators and supporters of my formative years,” she said. “They helped me seek unlimited possibilities in my quest for educational achievement and ultimately professional pursuits and accomplishment.”

When she was seven, her mother bought a piano from a neighbor, and the young girl began lessons. She played the piano through elementary school. But when she got to ninth grade, Wilson had aspirations to play other instruments. She took up the glockenspiel first. Then, a year later, the school purchased two French horns. She volunteered to learn how to play.

“I liked the French horn’s beauty of design and the

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By Jennifer Reeger



Can *This* Be Cogswell?



Decades of dreaming and several semesters of separation from the building ended in January when faculty and students moved back into Cogswell Hall. Dispersed to various locations across campus, they now found themselves in a totally renovated and enlarged structure. It was Cogswell, all right, but it certainly didn't *seem* like Cogswell.

When it was built in 1959 and named in honor of Hamlin Cogswell, the building was designed for two hundred undergraduates and a faculty of twenty. Today, there are 343 undergraduate music students, fifteen graduate students, and thirty-four faculty members.

Completely renovated and rearranged, the building has also expanded northward and westward. It has *presence*, whether viewed from the recently widened Oakland Avenue or from South Eleventh Street.

Gifts from alumni figured in the renovation. Among them were the following:

The Gwendolyn Lewis '53 and James Botti '55 Music Practice Room was made possible through the generosity of Shirley Ullom Filcik '53, who wanted to honor the wedding anniversary of her college roommate and her husband, both of whom studied music at IUP.

The Jay L. Althouse '73, M'75 Rehearsal Room is named in honor of the alumnus, a musical composer, arranger, editor, and author.

The Joan Frey Boytim '55, M'64 Vocal Studio is named for the alumna, who also made her donation in memory of longtime faculty member Gladys Dunkelberger.

Photography by Keith Boyer



A series of pavilions marching up the hill along Oakland Avenue houses four rehearsal spaces, dedicated to the choral, jazz, and percussion ensembles and to the 200-member IUP Marching Band. The number of individual-student practice rooms has gone from fourteen in the “old” Cogswell to forty-nine in the “new.” “Everything we do here is dedicated to the teacher/student relationship,” College of Fine Arts dean Michael Hood told the *Indiana Gazette*. “We chose to emphasize pedagogy over public performance.”



University president Tony Atwater, second from right, cuts the ceremonial ribbon to officially reopen Cogswell Hall. Others, left to right, are faculty member Chris Dickinson, College of Fine Arts dean Michael Hood, and Music Department chairperson Lorraine Wilson. The Mardi Gras colors of the medallion worn by New Orleans-native Wilson echo those of the ceremonial ribbon: green for faith, purple for justice, and gold for power.





● Music librarian Carl Rahkonen and library technician Teri McFerron in the Orendorf Music Library. The library uses space formerly occupied by an auditorium.



● On the day Cogswell formally "reopened," former band director Daniel Di Cicco '54 took a ceremonial turn as conductor in one of the spacious rehearsal halls. The IUP Marching Band, for the first time in recent memory, can now practice together in one facility.



Adjoining the Music Library is a large classroom suitable for music theater instruction. The hardwood floor in this room is similar in size to the stage of Fisher Auditorium. Indeed, the floor was the stage of the “old” Cogswell’s Orendorff Auditorium. The Music Library that now bears the name of the first dean of Fine Arts includes more than twenty thousand scores, ten thousand sound recordings, ten thousand books, and thousands of compact disks.



Can *This* Be Cogswell?

● Faculty member Chris Dickinson with his Brass Methods class. Dickinson also serves as chairperson of the Music Department’s Facilities Committee, a group that played a vital role in Cogswell’s renovation.



● Olive Fornear '33, right, a faculty member at the university for sixteen years until her retirement. shares thoughts with students in the piano laboratory. At far left is current faculty member Judith Radell.





Allen and O'Hara/WTW

the Revival Begins

FUTURE

The first phase of the Residential Revival sponsored by the Foundation for IUP gets underway this spring at the university. Two new buildings—one along Grant Street between Eleventh Street and Pratt Drive and the other along Pratt Drive toward Maple Street—are slated for completion by the Fall semester of 2007. The low-rise residences will accommodate more than seven hundred students, most in two- and four-person suites, and will also house student services.



The building at top will rise on the southwest corner of Grant Street (to the right) and Pratt Drive (to the left). The view in the lower image is along Grant Street, opposite Sutton Hall and Clark Hall. Eleventh Street is to the right, and Pratt Drive is to the left.



Keith Boyer

● The southwest corner of Grant Street and Pratt Drive will look quite different soon. The campus greenhouse in the foreground and the Administrative Annex behind it will be demolished, along with Wahr Hall, only barely visible behind the two buildings.

PRESENT

● The steel sculpture *Transition*, fabricated and placed on campus in 1983 through the efforts of three art students, will be relocated. The sculpture is at right, in front of the evergreens. Looking east on Grant Street, a section of Wahr Hall is visible. This entire area will be transformed.



Catherine Prato



Keith Boyer

● Wahr Hall was built in the late fifties and named for Corinne Menk Wahr '16. At the time of its construction, it sat next to the college football field.

● In the first phase of the Residential Revival, part of the stone wall along Pratt Drive will be demolished (and the parking lot that borders it closed). The stone inscription of Mike O'Hara (whoever and wherever he is) will remain intact for the near future.



Keith Boyer



WHEN DREAMS TAKE A DETOUR, IT'S BEST TO ENJOY THE RIDE. WHO BETTER TO VOUCH FOR THIS PEARL OF WISDOM THAN AN IUP ALUMNUS WHO'S ALSO ONE OF THE HIGHEST EXECUTIVES AT GENERAL MOTORS?

Detroit

William Powell, who currently serves as GM's North America vice president for Industry-Dealer Affairs, earned a bachelor's degree in Education from IUP in 1969.

"My intention was to be a teacher, I always wanted to be a teacher," he said. "But once I graduated, I had to go into the military, and I never had a chance to teach. The education received at Indiana prepared me well for a career in teaching, but even though that never happened, there are parallels between teaching and elements needed as a leader.

"Teaching preparation gives you good fundamentals in communicating, delivering a message, and influencing people for the good," Powell said. "I learned the value of that as an officer in the U.S. Army and in my various managerial jobs at GM."

As the most highly placed minority manager within GM, Powell used an education in Education to build a stellar career in American business.

After his discharge from the Army, Powell earned a master's degree in Industrial Management at Pacific Lutheran University in 1975 and shortly thereafter joined GM's Buick Division as an employee-in-training. He worked his way up through various managerial posts within GM, gaining experience and national perspective—and attending the Harvard Executive Development Program in 1987—before moving into his current role in 1994.

Today, Powell's main responsibility remains developing and maintaining relationships between the corporate headquarters and its dealer network across North America. Powell also has responsibility for a more global outlook, taking principles of managing the North American dealer network and applying them to GM's worldwide operations.

He acknowledges the power of his undergraduate studies at IUP as the springboard to his later accomplishments within one of the world's largest and most legendary companies.

"I attended Indiana during a very interesting time," he said. "The Vietnam

War was going on. Indiana was a fairly conservative school at the time, but it had its contingent of strange and interesting people. I remember the first time I came to see Indiana. I thought it was a beautiful campus, in a very nice setting. It certainly was different than Philadelphia, where I grew up.

"I was one of only seven African-American students attending the college then, I learned later," Powell noted. "I made some really great friends and joined Kappa Delta Rho. Most of my friends were from the Pittsburgh area, and we had the typical language barriers—I called it soda, and they

tried to convert me to calling it pop, that kind of thing.

"I thought it was a somewhat idyllic situation, although it was 1969 and I was in ROTC, so I knew what was going to happen to me after graduation," he recalled with a chuckle. "I ended up in the infantry, stationed in Germany. Never was sent to Vietnam. Was honorably discharged as a captain in the U.S. Army.

"The tumult of the time created intellectual stimulation for me," Powell reflected. "The discipline of getting a degree, of learning to learn, was what college was all about.

If you embrace that fundamental idea, you can enjoy a lifetime of learning.

"IUP made me want to continue to learn about going into fields you might have never thought of before," he said. "Just because you start out in one area, like I did with Education, doesn't mean you will or should end up there. Stuff happens, and you move in different directions. You come to a fork in the road, you make your choice, and you keep going.

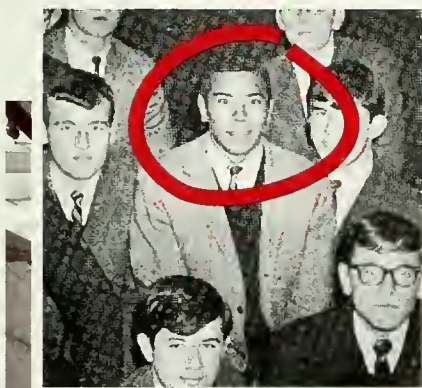
"If I've learned anything, or have any advice to give current students or my fellow alumni, it's to enjoy the hell out of life," said the lifelong learner and adapter, who lives with his wife and their twin daughters in the greater Detroit area. "Because it's not a dress rehearsal, it's for real."

In other words, when a new path opens up, it just means the journey has gotten a little more interesting. Hit the gas, and enjoy the ride. 🐼

By Tim Hayes

Detour

Tim Hayes '82 is a communications consultant and freelance writer.



Left: Powell (circled) with KDR brothers in the 1967 *Oak*. Below: In 2004, Powell, right, and Rod Gillum, another GM executive, accepted the Circle of Humanitarian Award from American Red Cross representative Kathleen Loehr.



IUP LIFESTYLES

NCAA PRESSES FOR NICKNAME CHANGE

Bob Dylan, in his classic song from 1965, noted that "the times, they are a-changin'."

What might also be a-changin' in the future is the nickname of IUP's athletic teams. The university is under pressure to adopt a new one.

The NCAA announced in August that member schools refusing to abolish American Indian nicknames and imagery it considers "hostile or abusive" would not be permitted to host NCAA postseason competitions beyond a February 1

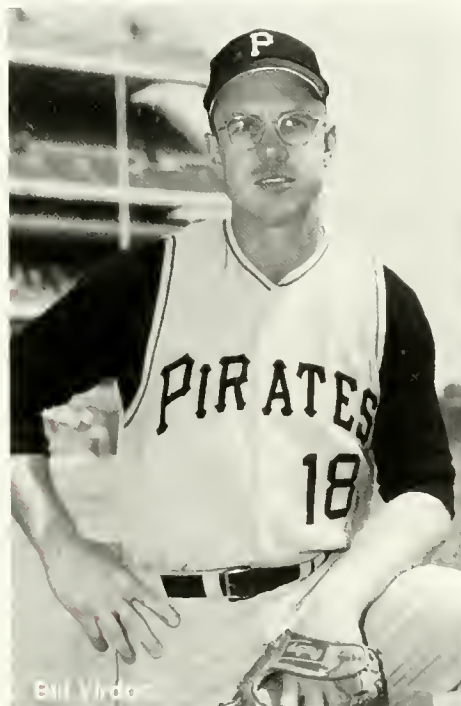
deadline. The potential cost to schools that don't comply, in terms of prestige and economic impact, is considerable.

The NCAA executive committee will rule April 27 on IUP's second appeal to keep its

longstanding nickname (the university eliminated Indian imagery in 1991). Three other schools—Illinois, Bradley, and North Dakota—also have second appeals pending.

Some of the eighteen schools targeted by the NCAA have since changed their nicknames or are in the process of doing so. Three universities that filed appeals were permitted to keep their nicknames because of support from local tribes: Florida State (Seminoles), Utah (Utes), and Central Michigan (Chippewas).

—Bob Fulton



PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Former New York Yankees pitcher Art Ditmar, and Pirates luminary Bill Virdon will be among celebrities signing autographs on Saturday, June 17, at the Harrisburg Area IUP Alumni Chapter's sports card show. In addition, *IUP Magazine* readers can use links on the magazine's website to find out which members of the NFL champion Pittsburgh Steelers will also be making an appearance at the show.

The show is at the Harrisburg Mall, located off the I-83 and Paxton Street Exit. According to Carl Hisiro '76, the show's promoter, readers have the chance to order advance autograph tickets for use at the show or to purchase autographs by mail on eight-by-ten-inch color photos.

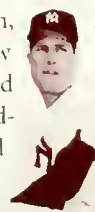
Ditmar, who is signing from 10 to noon, was a top pitcher for some of the great New York Yankees teams in the late 1950s and played on three World Series teams, including the 1958 World Series Champions and the 1960 team that lost to the Pittsburgh Pirates. Virdon, who is signing from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., was a member of that Pirates World Series Championship team and was the National League's Rookie of the Year

in 1955, when he broke in with the St. Louis Cardinals. He later managed with both the Yankees and the Pirates and continues to work in the Pirates organization today. Ditmar's and Virdon's autographs on photos, cards, and baseballs will be \$12 each, while their autographs on bats and game jerseys will be \$20 each.

The June show will feature seventy dealer tables selling vintage and new sports cards, sports memorabilia and collectibles, and nonsports cards. Proceeds from the three-day show, scheduled for June 16-18, and from the autograph signings will be donated by the chapter to the Foundation for IUP for the chapter's scholarship endowment fund that benefits IUP students from the Harrisburg/York/Lancaster area. The chapter has donated \$59,000 from previous card shows to the Foundation, including approximately \$36,000 to the scholarship endowment fund. The chapter raised \$8,650 from last year's two shows.

Mail order prices (which include return postage and handling) are \$19.50 each for Ditmar and Virdon for an eight-by-ten-inch color photo supplied by the chapter. Information about other mail-order items may be obtained by calling Hisiro for pricing and mailing instructions. Those planning to attend the show to obtain autographs may order tickets in advance by sending a check made payable to Carl Hisiro and sent to him prior to the show at 108 Nicolas Court, Harrisburg, PA 17110. For advance ticket sales only, a self-addressed stamped envelope should be included with the order.

The Harrisburg Chapter has a limited number of autographs on color photos of former New York Yankees Graig Nettles, Bobby Richardson, Gil McDougald, Tom Tresh, Joe Pepitone, Bob Turley, Roland Sheldon, Johnny Blanchard, and Ryne Duren; former Pittsburgh Pirates Vernon Law, Bob Friend, and Kevin Young; current Pittsburgh Steelers running back Duce Staley; and former Pittsburgh Steelers stars Mike Wagner and John Fuqua for sale from their previous shows. For information about these or about the upcoming show, call Hisiro at 717-545-1181, e-mail him at chisiro@paonline.com, or visit hbgareaiupalumni.org for updated information, including additional guest appearances.



Art Ditmar



SMART MOVE

Cindy Embleton graduated from IUP in 1997 and headed for New York, where she has worked as a food columnist, freelance writer, and research consultant. She also read enough investment books to make money in stocks—money she has now invested in an on-line meeting service.

Intellect Connect (www.intellect-connect.com) is the creation of Embleton and a colleague. “On regular dating sites,” Embleton said,

“you’ll sometimes find people who say things like, ‘I love books and the History Channel, but I’m a fun person, too.’ On our site, you don’t need to apologize for having cerebral interests.”

“Everyone on the site is there because they’re specifically looking for people who enjoy things like documentaries and educational lectures,” Embleton said. While many site visitors hope to find a romantic interest, others are just looking for like-minded friends. Members not only meet on line but also mingle at literary tours, independent film nights, museum crawls, and other events organized by Intellect Connect.

Embleton herself recently celebrated her “five-year anniversary with an extremely intelligent, extraordinary man.” Fittingly, the two met on line.



ON TO THE NEXT HOUSE: A photo in the Summer, 2004, *IUP Magazine* showed four retired faculty members at a Habitat for Humanity construction site in Indiana. Today, the house is completed and occupied by a family, and Habitat is at work on another house in Ernest. Standing before the finished product are outgoing Habitat Campus Chapter president Aaron Stunkard, outgoing vice-president Anna Phillips, Indiana Chapter executive director Bob Vargo '50, and Campus Chapter advisor Tom VanDyke.

Eric Slebodnik

I was very sad to read about Eric Slebodnik in the last issue of *IUP Magazine* that he was killed in Iraq serving with the Pennsylvania National Guard. Eric Slebodnik gave the most that he could give to his country, Pennsylvania, and IUP. I believe he deserved better recognition from IUP than a simple short P.S. in the back of your magazine—his life and sacrifice are just as memorable and worthy of highlight as other articles in your magazine. I can appreciate and compliment the president of the university for receiving a gold medal for his academic service and office. Guardsman Slebodnik also earned a prestigious gold medal—the Purple Heart.

Realizing now that this was not the first IUP student to be killed in Iraq, I strongly suggest you publish a memorable and fitting article for all those at IUP who have made such terrible sacrifices to allow us to have the best country to live in that history has ever recorded.

I have seen many friends, colleagues, and fellow Soldiers and Marines give so much and endure such harm and terror over there—many without notice or appreciation of those back home—and who make such costly sacrifice in careers, family, and personal life. They surely still deserve our best in prayers, thoughts, memory, and support—for they are even now and have given that same back to us so many times over in their service to our country. They should remain ever part of the IUP family and tradition and be held with the most honored of IUP’s alumni, students, and faculty.

Lieutenant Colonel Milan Kobulnicky, USA '82
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(The writer is an Army Special Forces officer supporting operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. Both of IUP’s most recent student casualties in the Iraq war were awarded posthumous degrees at December Commencement ceremonies.)

Frank Cignetti

“Geography Lesson” by Bob Fulton in the Winter issue of *IUP Magazine* is one of the best, most well-written articles that I have ever read. And I’m no youngster to sports articles.

Thank you to the writer for recognizing Frank Cignetti’s many accomplishments and putting them down in a very creative fashion.

Bob Cleminson '59
Nellysford, Va.



THE HONORS COLLEGE

CHRONICLES



Kristin Juhasz

Keith Boyer

An Anthropological Look at Medicine

It was a reaction that has paid off for Robert E. Cook Honors College student Kristin Juhasz.

She had just begun her freshman year as a piano performance major at Carnegie Mellon University when terrorists slammed airliners into American targets on September 11, 2001.

"It opened my eyes to the harsh realities of the world around me," she said. "Before 9/11, I was content in my little music realm. After 9/11, I craved knowledge about what makes people tick—how history, politics, economics, religion, and science all come together to make the world as we know it. My instant response to the events of 9/11 was that I needed to take a more active

role in my society, and I felt that I personally could best accomplish this through the pursuit of medicine.... The summer after my freshman year, I took anatomy with Dr. [Michael] Kesner at IUP. This course proved to me that I found the science of the human body absolutely fascinating."

Today, in pursuit of a double major in Biology and Anthropology at IUP, Juhasz is spending this semester in South Africa courtesy of a grant from Sigma Xi, a scientific research honor society. She is researching the effectiveness and accuracy of health care messages and how effectively Western medicine is integrated into the world of traditional healers. She felt South Africa was the ideal place to learn about the pros and cons of public health because of the

high number of HIV-positive and AIDS patients.

"I find that the Anthropology enhances the Biology major and vice versa. In Biology, I am particularly attracted by genetics, neuroscience, epidemiology, and public health. In anthropology, the medical and applied aspects place elements of my biological science interests into the appropriate historic, cultural, political, and economic contexts," Juhasz said. "By understanding medicine from a more holistic view, one can take this knowledge and begin applying it in a culturally sensitive manner that can help a culture use their definition of medicine more effectively and can ultimately lead to change at the level of the individual, family, community, and even public policy."

High School Students Explore Honors College in Summer

What is an inverted paragraph? What in the world is magnetic resonance spectroscopy? How do we tell the good from the bad? High school students in the Summer Honors Program have encountered and explored all of these questions. Each year, participants pack up their window fans, sunscreen, pillows, notebooks, and curiosity to attend a two-week program that leaves the typical summer camp in the dust.

Intended to give a feel for everyday life in college, the program is for high school juniors

and seniors. They live in a residence hall, enjoy meals in Foster Dining Hall, and attend classes in academic buildings. In the evenings they can choose to partake in a wide variety of common campus activities at assorted university facilities.

The academic experience, however, is the pride of the program. Each morning the students go to a class in their particular interest. In past years the program has offered such classes as Biology, Biochemistry, Chemistry, Education, Finance, History, Journalism, Political Science, and Philosophy. The classes are led by university professors, often teaching lessons that they would present in their normal college classes; the classes, however, involve so much more than lecture at the Summer Honors Program. In past years, Journalism students have worked through the week to produce a real newspaper. Philosophy students have learned the rules of logic to approach questions of ethics, aesthetics, and epistemology. Biology students have taken field trips to a local stream to explore its ecosystem.

"I loved every moment of the experience. I took classes in Communications Media, Philosophy, and Political Science during my years in the Summer Honors Program. The people I met changed me profoundly," said Mara Iverson, who now is a student at IUP and will serve as this year's head counselor. "Students, counselors, faculty, and staff alike helped me to realize that the Robert E. Cook Honors College would be great

for me. Having attended the school for almost two years now, I realize that SHP is a two-week sample of exactly what the school is truly like."

The Summer Honors Program this year will take place July 9 through 22. The \$750 cost includes room and board, thirty hours of instruction per week, full evening program activities,

and a Saturday reception for students, parents, and faculty. Limited scholarship assistance is available. IUP alumni teaching tenth or eleventh grade may nominate a student for scholarship assistance by contacting Kevin Berezansky.

For contact information, access www.iup.edu/honors or call 800-487-9122.

MINE MAPS JUST A SEARCH AWAY



The university is playing a role in making Pennsylvania coal mines safer while preserving the heritage of coal mining.

IUP Libraries is assisting the Pennsylvania Bureau of Deep Mine Safety with the creation of a statewide database that will make mine maps readily available. The bureau has provided IUP with a \$125,000 Cruse digital camera to scan and digitize large-format maps. In conjunction with the project, Rosebud Mining Company of Kittanning has awarded IUP a gift of \$36,777, and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission has provided a grant of \$15,000 to help organize and process the collection.

In the wake of the 2002 Quecreek Mine accident, the bureau approached IUP about creating a database of mine maps to improve safety.

"From the beginning of the discussions, we readily agreed to support this important initiative," said Rena Fowler, dean of IUP Libraries. "Long before IUP was founded, coal fueled the rise of U.S. industry. It remains an essential resource and with it come risks and costs. The records of the industry are a resource themselves, and here at IUP, we have taken great pride in collecting these records in our Special Collections archive so that the past may serve the future."

In 1998, the university received from CONSOL Energy, Inc., the records of Rochester and Pittsburgh Coal Company, which significantly added to the resources of the Special Collections archives. CONSOL Energy also has provided financial support to IUP to help organize the collection. The gift included R&P's artifacts and files as well as mine maps that charted the location of the coal seams throughout the region, Fowler said.

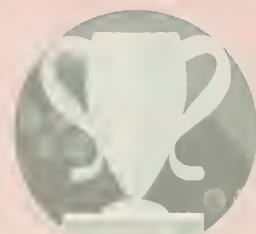
THE COMPANY WE KEEP

The Golden Dragon Chinese Acrobats, **Eric Burdon** and the Animals, *Oklahoma!*, Gallagher, and *The Broadway Star-Spangled Spectacular* came to Fisher Auditorium as part of the OnStage Entertainment Series.

Amy Grant was scheduled to appear in Fisher Auditorium as the Wilfred E. Helwig Distinguished Artist.

The Pittsburgh Symphony Chamber Orchestra performed on campus through the Lively Arts program.

Distinguished Alumni Awards



Six alumni were honored with 2006 Distinguished Alumni Awards at an April 1 gala sponsored by the IUP Alumni Association. Biographies of the winners more detailed than those that appear below are available on the *IUP Magazine* website.



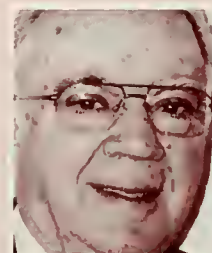
Tim Cejka '73 is president of ExxonMobil Exploration Company and vice-president of ExxonMobil Corporation. As head of ExxonMobil's most important business venture (and one with a billion-dollar-a-year budget), he is a primary contact with top officials, including presidents and prime ministers, of every country in which ExxonMobil is currently drilling or wants to explore. His is believed to be one of the highest positions at a *Fortune* 500 company held by any IUP alumnus or alumna. Cejka did graduate work at the University of Texas. His wife, Deborah Phillips Cejka, is also a member of the Class of 1973.

Merelyn Davis '64 is a Hollywood music designer and editor with sound tracks to her credit such as those for *Friends*, *The Drew Carey Show*, and *Joey*. The holder of a master's degree from Indiana University, she won a Golden Reel Award for music editing and has three times been nominated for that honor. She has transcribed ethnic music recordings, taught high school music theory, edited and recorded sound for documentaries with a film production company in Scotland, and sung with the Scottish National Orchestra Chorus. She also edited music for the Scottish National Ballet.



Robert Davis '76 has for nearly three decades played a key role in music education at the nation's fourth-largest school system. In fact, Florida's Miami-Dade County Public Schools, in which he oversees more than five hundred full-time music teachers, is the largest of those four systems that still embraces music education in grades kindergarten through twelve. The holder of a master's degree from the University of Miami, he has become a well-known advocate for arts education at the state level and is a popular lecturer, conductor, actor, master of ceremonies, and commentator.

John Frank '58 was an IUP administrator for fifteen years before retiring and becoming a field representative for U.S. Congressman John Murtha. His undergraduate career began in 1950 but was interrupted after two years by a four-year stint with the U.S. Navy. He later received a master's degree from Westminster College and a doctorate from Case Western Reserve University. As an award nominator put it, "The title 'Mr. IUP' fits him perfectly. His love for and his



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CLASSNOTES

Designation of Codes

- AA** Associate of Arts Degree
- CA** Academy of Culinary Arts
- D** Doctoral Degree
- M** Master's Degree



Keith Boyer

OUR TURN: The opening of IUP's new Center for Turning and Furniture Design in Sprowls Hall was celebrated with a special event called Spring Showcase, which featured presentations by center director Steve Loar, faculty member Chris Weiland, and artist-in-residence Betty Scarpino, shown with graduate student Anne Miller. IUP's is the first program in the country to offer undergraduate and graduate degrees in fine arts with a studio emphasis on both turning and furniture design.

1930s

JOHN KUZMAK '38 celebrated his ninety-second birthday in February. A retired teacher of English, geography, and social studies, he is the father of two sons and two daughters and lives in Johnstown.

1950s

In December, a special service at the Pine Street Presbyterian Church in Harrisburg presented a commissioned work by English composer Richard Sheppard in honor of **DONALD CLAPPER '50**, minister of music at the church for forty-three years until his retirement in 1997.

After being an associate professor at Millersville University of Pennsylvania, **SCOTT GARMAN '50** retired from teaching along with his wife, Fay. They live in Lititz, Pa.

With over fifty years in professional music, Edinboro resident **CLIFFORD COX '56, M'59, M'68** has conducted orchestras in the United States and Europe and continues as the principal guest conductor to the Shandong Provincial Symphony Orchestra in the People's Republic of China. In 2004, he received the Distinguished Alumni Award from IUP, and he was recently selected as conductor for an orchestra consisting of outstanding young players in the Pittsburgh area for a performance in January.

Artist **NED WERT '58** recently opened his small works studio/gallery in Indiana.

1960s

FRED MCCOY '66, associate dean of the College of Education at Kutztown University, lives in Reading with his wife, Dorris.

GLENDA SWEGER '68, who died in California in January, had been selected a Los Angeles County Teacher of the Year a few years ago. An article after her death in the *San Gabriel Valley Tribune* quoted one of her fellow English teachers: "Around Northview High School, young teachers often thought of Glenda Sweger as a movie star. Everyone aspires to be Glenda Sweger. Everyone aspires to teach as well and as effectively as she." Sweger taught at Northview thirty-seven years.

Recently retired from teaching in the Mifflin County Schools, **JIM BRIGHT '69, M'81** recently exhibited wood and bronze sculptures at the HUB/Robeson Gallery at Penn State University. He lives in Reedsville with his wife, Roseanne.

Pittsburgh resident **ED HANEY '69** is president of the Brentwood Borough Council, is a pastoral council member and Eucharistic minister at St. Sylvester Church, is a member of the Brentwood Library Board, and appeared in *Who's Who in America*, 2007 edition.

1970s

Retiring after thirty-one years of teaching high school consumer sciences, **BARBARA BAKER STRYKER '73** is moving to Troy, Mont., where her husband, Chet, owns a restaurant/casino called "The Boondocks."

JIM DUGAN '74, senior systems analyst for First Data, was reelected to his third term as a councilman for the city of Duluth, Ga., where he lives with his wife, Susan.

SANDY ZURI-ELLIOTT '75, director of human resources at Preferred Alternatives, Inc., and her husband, Jim, recently welcomed their first grandchild, Kamryn. They live in Lookout Mountain, Ga.

THOMAS BAUMANN '76, a partner in the Pittsburgh law firm of Abes Baumann, was named a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer for 2005. He lives in Greensburg with his wife, Jill, and their children, Rachel and Joshua.

After twenty-five years with the Pennsylvania State Police, **MARVIN WALLACE '77** has retired to his home in McKees Rocks with his wife, **ELAINE SERAK WALLACE '77**, a principal for Pittsburgh Public Schools.

KDKA talk show host **RICK BERGMAN '78** received his fourth straight nomination for an A.I.R. award in the "Best Talk Show Host" category. He lives in Gibsonia with his wife, Elisabeth.

DAVID BEVERIDGE '78 recently received his master's degree in liberal studies from Duquesne University. He is a writer/photographer for the *Washington Observer-Reporter* and a 2004 World Affairs Journalism Fellow.

1980s

After receiving his M.B.A. from the University of Miami, **SCOTT KILBURN '80** became director of operations for Pizza Hut and moved to Dallas with his wife, Cheryl, and their son, Scott.

Glenshaw resident **PAUL OBERST '80** is audit senior II of corporate

audit for PNC Financial Services Group in Pittsburgh. He has four children: Michael (an IUP senior), Matthew, Daniel, and Maggie.

PHILIP HENRY '81, M'82 is a partner in Henry Wealth Management with his brother, **DANIEL HENRY '84**. Phil, who is married to **BETH ANDREWS HENRY '84, M'86** and has five children, heads the firm's financial planning and investment management division. Dan is vice president, and heads the firm's insurance division. He is married to **LAURI ZIGLEAR HENRY '84**, and they have four children. For more information, visit www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag/webextra.

Northampton resident **BARBARA MILLER '81, M'83** is a school psychologist with the Easton Area School District.

Army lieutenant colonel **MILAN KOBULNICKY '82** was recalled to active duty from retirement and is serving on the Joint Staff as a Special Forces officer supporting operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. He lives in Woodbridge, Va.

ELAINE FEDISSON PARNELL '82, first vice president at Mellon Financial, lives in McKees Rocks with her husband, Steve.

DIANE SEBASTIAN WOOD '82 was named 2005 Secondary Art Teacher of the Year for Southwest Virginia by the Virginia Art Education Association. She is currently department chair of Visual Arts at Northside High School in Roanoke and is in the process of painting murals for a daycare center. She lives in Roanoke with her husband, Curtis, and their two children.

Pittsburgh resident **WILLIAM MOLCZAN '83** is a partner with the firm of Weltman, Weinberg, and

Distinguished Alumni Awards

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involvement with IUP and the entire Indiana community over the last fifty years speak volumes."



Scott Rudy '84 is vice-president of SAP America in Cincinnati. His record of leadership has been written not only in the corporate, high-tech sector but in the U.S. Army, in which he served eleven years—much of the time in Special Forces—and in which he won numerous commendations. With a master's degree from Johns Hopkins University, he once led a technical staff team at the White House Communications Agency. His wife, Carol Fisher Rudy, is also a member of the Class of 1984.

Nancy Dezort Sullenfield '71 is vice chancellor for Finance and Administration at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She previously served as vice president for Finance and Administration at Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, and as assistant secretary for Finance and Administration at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. The recipient of a master's degree in Economics from Virginia Commonwealth University, she serves on the boards of the UNC-Chapel Hill Investment Fund, UNC Chapel Hill Foundation, and UNC Management Company, as well as of numerous other organizations related to the community and university.



Reis, managing the legal action recovery department of the Pittsburgh office and responsible for all the firm's state court action in Pennsylvania.

TERRY HENRY '84 of Philadelphia, an attorney with the firm of Cozen O'Connor, was named a 2005 Pennsylvania Rising Star by *Law & Politics*.

Pittsburgh resident **JOE PINO '84**, assistant professor of sound design at Carnegie Mellon University, received the gold medal in sound design at the World Stage Design 2005 Exposition.

A lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve and commander of the 424th Military Police Detachment in Ashley, Pa., **MARK MARTIN '85** was recently elected as magisterial district judge for Mechanicsburg, Upper Allen Township, and Monroe

Township. He lives in Mechanicsburg with his wife, **PATRICIA MOREO MARTIN '86**, a special education teacher for the Mechanicsburg Area School District.

KEVIN BAILEY '86, M'90 is assistant vice president for Student Affairs at Tulane University in New Orleans, where he lives with his wife, Yvemarie.

KEVIN ZDURIENCIK '86 was named the top financial service representative for the fourth consecutive year for Treloar and Heisel, Inc. He lives in Fort Worth and can be reached at zee1@flash.net.

CAIVIN FRANK YOUNKER '87, '93, information technology coordinator for PennDOT in Uniontown, lives in Belle Vernon with his wife, Marie.

CORRECTION

In a feature in the Winter issue, "Picture of Health," alumnus **Bill Ford's** position with the Buffalo Bills and Detroit Lions was incorrectly described. He was assistant athletic trainer for both organizations.

A Johnson & Johnson computer engineer responsible for global infrastructure design and implementation projects, **MIKE BENEDETTI '88** lives in Freehold, N.J., with his wife, Lori, and their children, Tara, Marisa, and Gina.

ARIC CAPLAN '88 lives in Potomac, Md., with his wife, Marla, and is president of Caplan Communications, one of three winners of the first O'Dwyer Award for

Public Communications, which honors companies for work in the public affairs and environmental public relations categories.

ANDY HAWK '88 (www.andyhawk.com), an English and journalism teacher at Loudoun County (Va.) High School, recently released his second CD, *Something Farther Away*.... It is available on line at www.cdhub.com and at iTunes.

KATHY NIEZGODA JOHNSON '88 lives in Waltham, Mass., with her husband, Scott. She works in product management for Charles River Development, a financial services software company.

ANDREA ORWIG KIRSHMAN M'88, director of new student programs at Kutztown University, recently received her doctorate degree in adult education from Penn State.

She lives in Reading with her husband, Marc.

CHRISTOPHER LACROIX '88, account executive for Maryland for EquiFirst Mortgage Corporation, lives in Annapolis with his wife, Jennine, and daughters, Maxine and Gabrielle. He can be reached at cjmlacroix@comcast.net.

THE BEST OF MANY WORLDS

BY BRUCE DRIES

Almost three weeks after the World Trade Center towers fell, Jill Rouch Berardi walked the fifty-two blocks from her hotel to her assignment at Ground Zero. She was approached by a growing number of people affected by the disaster who had spotted her Red Cross vest.

They told her of the loss of their jobs and damage to their homes or businesses, of missing or injured friends and family, or how grateful they were for help. She arrived at the Red Cross service area with a crowd in tow, people who either needed help or who were asking how they could help.

Berardi, a 1990 graduate of IUP's Journalism department, is director of marketing and communications for the South Western Pennsylvania (SWPA) Chapter of the American Red Cross. She is hardly the only IUP-Red Cross connection. The chief operations officer for the SWPA chapter is Rob Skertich '98, and Tami Marsico Aubele '99, another Journalism alumna, is the chapter's communications coordinator. Jessika Liscinsky Strauss '81 is assistant to the chief executive officer and is a local disaster volunteer, and Scott Morgan '83, president of Blattner Brunner advertising agency, is on the Board of Directors' Executive Committee. In addition, current IUP student Jim Wagner is a caseworker who assists families in receiving services in times of disaster.

Getting his start as a Red Cross-trained lifeguard, Skertich has been involved in public safety since

1978—as an instructor at IUP's Criminal Justice Training Center, running EMS and rescue training programs; as a teacher of public safety at a vocational school for nine years; and being with the Red Cross since 1999.



Left to right, back: Jill Rouch Berardi '90, Rob Skertich '98, Tami Aubele '99. Front: Jessika Liscinsky Strauss '81, Jim Wagner

and the near-collapse of the Taunton Dam in Massachusetts.

"It's a career with a lot of rewards," she said. "It's the best of many worlds, and I've loved it. You work just as hard and as long, you work weekends, but you go home every night knowing you've helped people and are in a position to see that what you're doing is making other people's lives better and more comfortable."

For the full article, including personal accounts of the Hurricane Katrina response, please visit IUP Magazine on line at www.iup.edu/publications/iupmag.

Aubele was alerted to a Red Cross opening by IUP journalism professor Randy Jesick. Seventeen days after she was hired, the remnants of Hurricane Ivan slammed into Western Pennsylvania, flooding downtown Pittsburgh and affecting eight counties. She was also one of thousands of staffers and volunteers who traveled to the Gulf Coast in the wake of Hurricane Katrina.

A veteran of the ad agency world, Berardi changed careers at age thirty to join the Red Cross. Since then, she has helped in numerous national response assignments, including the Quecreek mine rescue

IN SEARCH OF ANDY:

A Benedum Foundation grant took Leslie Begala Bodnarchuk '79, M'89, an art teacher at Pittsburgh's Shady Side Academy Middle School, to Slovakia, Poland, and Ukraine to explore the family origins of artist Andy Warhol. At the Humenne Museum of Modern Art in Medzilaborze, Slovakia (known as the *other* Andy Warhol Museum), she found this statue. More photos and information are at Web Extra at www.iup.edu/publications/iup-mag/webextra.



Pittsburgh resident **DAVE RIZZO '88** and a group of IUP alumni attended a Pirates game last September. For a photo and more information, visit *Web Extra* at www.iup.edu/publications/iup-mag/webextra.

GERALD ZAHORCHAK '88 was confirmed in February as Pennsylvania's education secretary. He lives in Johnstown.

SCOTT GIBSON '89, M'01 was recently appointed director of the Pechan Health Center at IUP. He lives in Indiana with his wife, Michele, and four children, including daughter **KATHLEEN GIBSON '03**, and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Administration and Leadership at IUP. He is also a regional faculty member of and the coordinator for the American Heart Association Training Center for CPR and BLS in Indiana County.

RICHARD PEARSON '89, associate pastor of Harmony-Zelienople United Methodist Church, lives in Zelienople with his wife, Charmaine.

A pilot for the U.S. Coast Guard's Helicopter Interdiction and Tactics Squadron, Lieutenant **RON RICHARDS '89, '91** is also the unit's weapons department head. He lives in Jacksonville, Fla., with his wife, Michele, and children, Brandon and Samantha.

A self-employed TV broadcast technician, Pittsburgh resident **JOHN VIVIRITO '89** earned an M.B.A. from the University of Phoenix, is a member of the executive board of IBEW Local 385, and is a freelance journalist for the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*.

1990s

REBECCA JOYCE LAMPERSKI '90, an employee of Comcast Spotlight, lives in Sewickley with her husband, **JAMIE LAMPERSKI '90**, and their children, Jessica and Jackie.

LAURA HEILIG-TREXLER '93, a teacher in the Palisades School District, lives in Emmaus, Pa., with her husband, **GREGORY TREXLER**

'92, a teacher in the East Penn School District, and their daughter, Emma.

RONGHUA OUYANG D'93 is a professor of Educational Technology at Kennesaw State University in Georgia. His wife, Chen Liang, who took pre-nursing courses at IUP and completed her practitioner degree at Emory University, has now been hired by Kennesaw State as an assistant professor in the nursing program. Last summer, the couple and their daughter, Dan, traveled to China, where Dr. Ouyang lectured at a number of universities.

CHRISTY HOPKINS HUDSON '95, assistant director of marketing at California University of Pennsylvania, lives in West Mifflin with her husband, Matthew, and daughter, Larissa.

A teacher for Spotsylvania County Schools, **LORIE TRUDGEN JOYNER '95** lives in Fredericksburg, Va., with her husband, Scott.

DINO SACRIPONTE '95 received the Regional Account Manager of the Year award from CyraCom, where he works. He lives in Butler with his wife, Susan, and children, Vincenzo and Sophia.

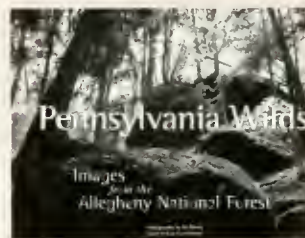
TROY HAND '96, a librarian at King's Fork Middle School, is working toward his master's degree in library science at Longwood University. He lives in Newsoms, Va., with his wife, **JENNIFER JOHNSON HAND '96**, a French teacher for Southampton County Schools, and their children, Iulia and Nathaniel.

HEATHER BOWDEN OGLESBY '97 lives in Harrisburg with her husband, Douglas, and children, Kayton, Trey, and Kenyon.

After a three-year assignment to start up and manage the company's Brazilian subsidiary in São Paulo, **REED SANDRIDGE '97** became president and CEO of Comptel Communications based in Arlington, Va.

THREATENED HOMES

"Threatened Homes for the Homeless," a video documentary produced by Communications Media faculty members **Kurt Dudd** and **Erick Lauber**, has been accepted into the film catalog at Indiana University (Bloomington) for national distribution and rental use for education and social service organizations. The film, which documents how Indiana County's Eastern Orthodox Foundation provides shelter for homeless male adults, assists the foundation in fundraising.



FOREST WILDS

Gorgeous photography and lessons in Pennsylvania's early and contemporary history make for an interesting coffee table book called *Pennsylvania Wilds: Images from the Allegheny National Forest*. Photographed by Ed Bernik, the book was written by **Lisa Garfield Gensheimer '76**, who lives in North East, Pa. The book, a product

of Forest Press, comes with a companion CD that includes a map and travel guide.

ANOTHER DAY IN THE LIFE

In 2003 **Joni Hyman Cole '80** and co-editors published *This Day in the Life: Diaries of American Women*. This year, readers may follow the lives of more women in *This Day in the Life: Diaries of Women from Across America*. Cole and crew invited hundreds of women to share their insights and activities on June 29, 2004, culminating in a collection of intimate details, real-life drama, and amusing moments. The book was published by Three Rivers Press. Cole, who lives in White River Junction, Vt., expects another book, *Toxic Feedback: Helping Writers Survive and Thrive*, to be released this summer.

ENDOSCOPIC EVALUATION

Thomas Murry '64, a recipient of IUP's Distinguished Alumni Award, has co-authored his seventh book, *FEESSST Flexible Endoscopic Evaluation of Swallowing with Sensory Testing*, released by Plural Publishing Company. Murry is the clinical director of the Voice and Swallowing Center at Columbia University.

IUP Academy of Culinary Arts graduate **MANDY FALCHETTI CA'98** is a pastry chef at Norman Love Confections in Fort Myers, Fla., and was recently spotlighted in a "Chef's Secret" feature of the *Fort Myers News-Press*.

JASON VARNISH '98 is the box office manager for SMG, the company that manages the Mellon Arena. He lives in Pittsburgh with his wife, **JULIE LEGRAND VARNISH '97, M'01**. For more information, please visit *Web Extra*.

An IT training specialist at Penn State, **CHRISTINE VUCINICH**

QUINONES M'99 lives in State College with her husband, Philip.

2000s

CHERIE HART '00, an office manager for the nonprofit North Carolina Prevention Partners, lives in Chapel Hill, N.C.

KERI-ANN RECKUS ZEIGLER '01, assistant manager of quality assurance for Dauphin County Emergency Management Agency, lives in Harrisburg with her husband, Mike.

The wedding ceremony of MELISSA MCGINNIS '02, a special education teacher for the Altoona Area School District, and Michael Carney included JULIE EDWARDS '02.

MEGAN DIVELY LEHMAN '03 will undertake a master's program in Urban Affairs and Public Policy at the University of Delaware in the fall. She plans to attain her degree at the same time her husband, FORREST LEHMAN '01, receives his doctorate from Delaware. The Lehmans live in Newark.

After being deployed to Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, U.S. Army FIRST LIEUTENANT JOEL MACHAK '03 recently returned to the States and is moving to Ft. Lee, Va., with his wife, JULIE PRZEPIERSKI MACHAK '03. For photos and more information, visit *Web Extra*.

New York City resident LEE GREENFIELD '04 is an assistant media planner at PHD (Omnicom).

Lost and Found

ALPHA PHI SISTERS: A reunion is planned for October 27-28, 2006, in Indiana. Contact BEVERLY DAVIS '77 at bev2296@yahoo.com or P.O. Box 494, Mount Joy, PA 17552 and give her your mailing address.

FORMER MEMBERS OF THE IUP CHAPTER, COMMONWEALTH ASSOCIATION OF STUDENTS: Alumni of CAS are sought as mentors to the current CAS-IUP Chapter. Potential activities might include letter-writing campaigns, phone-ins, campus rallies, lobbying days in Harrisburg, voter registration drives, and media awareness campaigns, all geared to ensuring the quality of State System education. Contact chapter advisor Portia Diaz-Martin at portia@iup.edu.

Weddings

1980s

SUSAN "TOONCH" TIMLIN '86 to Rufus Reynolds, June 25, 2005. CALVIN YOUNKER '87, '93 to Marie Cermak, October 15, 2005. KATHY NIEZGODA '88 to Scott Johnson, September 10, 2005.



FAMILY FINERY: P.D. Lott '37 was a teacher at Keith School (and would later head the university's Elementary Education Department) in 1953 when he and his wife, Evelyn Koontz Lott '38, posed as Senior Prom chaperones in Sutton Hall. Mrs. Lott died in 2001; her husband, who retired in 1979 after thirty years at IUP, still lives in Indiana. Not long ago, the Lotts' only grandchildren put on their grandparents' clothing to reenact the photo. Laura Maul is the daughter of Susan Lott Maul '70; her cousin, Frank Gillan, is the son of Amy Lott Gillan '78.



Awards

Honorary Doctor of Science

Presented to Albert ("Tim") Cejka '73, president of ExxonMobil Exploration Company, during December commencement ceremonies

President's Medal of Distinction

The highest nondegree award bestowed by IUP to Gealy Wallwork, a member of the IUP Council of Trustees

Friend of Higher Education Award

Presented by IUP and the local chapter of the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Professors to state Representative Mike Hanna in recognition of an individual's continued support and advocacy for public higher education in Pennsylvania

Silver Davey

Awarded by the International Academy of the Visual Arts to Kurt Dudd and Erick Lauber, members of the Communications Media faculty, who produced the video documentary "Threatened Homes for the Homeless"

Admissions Marketing Awards

Presented by *Admissions Marketing Report* to IUP's Communications Group: Silver Award for the video production "IUP: The Perfect Fit," which is shown to prospective students; Silver Award for an advertisement in *Fortune* magazine; and Award of Merit for the Academy of Culinary Arts viewbook

1990s

MARIE COY '92 to Mark Hanaway, September 24, 2005. TAMARA MILLEN '93 to Gregory Beckenbaugh, December 3, 2005. MICHAEL COCOVICH '98 to Cory McVicker, October 25, 2005. SHANNON ROWLES '98 to Michael Richards, June 18, 2004. CHRISTINE VUCINICH M'99 to Philip Quinones, October 22, 2005. JESSICA WOLFE '99 to Anthony Bueno, July 3, 2004.

2000s

MATTHEW LUCAS '00 to Mary Britt, April 9, 2005. AMANDA MARINO '00 to David Murray, July 31, 2004. KERI-ANN RECKUS '01 to Mike Zeigler, September 11, 2004. MELISSA MCGINNIS '02 to Michael Carney, July 2, 2005. ANGELA TORRES '03 to Peter Ha, May 15, 2005. DEENA GUERRIERI '05 to Joseph Addy, October 28, 2005.

Arrivals

1970s

To LOUIS MONTANTI '78 and Kristin Montanti, a daughter, Elizabeth Rose, August 6, 2004.

1980s

To KAREN TRIBBLE SHELTON '87 and Roger Sheldon, an adopted son, Andrew Christopher, November 28, 2005, born September 13, 2003. To CHRISTOPHER LACROIX '88 and Jennine LaCroix, a daughter, Gabrielle Lea, August 9, 2005. To BOB REICH '89 and Carrie Reich, a son, Owen Patrick, November 4, 2005. To JUSTINE PERZIA WEBSTER '89 and Kenneth Webster, a daughter, Reagan Elizabeth, March 9, 2005.

1990s

To TIM "HARV" HARVEY '90 and

Who are the three most influential people in your life?

Everyone has them... the mentors, the friend who gives you solid advice, the professor who nudged you in a direction that has made all the difference.

How do you acknowledge that valuable influence in a meaningful way?

How about by influencing someone else's life in a positive way? Your gift in honor or in memory of that special person will help students that you will never meet. It will improve our campus, or preserve a bit of its history and carry the name of the person who made a difference in your life.

What better way to honor someone than to pass that positive influence on to someone else.

I would like to ☐ honor ☐ remember:

NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

With a gift of:

\$50 ☐ Bookplate in a library book (4030)

\$300 ☐ Athletic program Crimson Commons Brick (0372 or 0373)

\$500 ☐ Tree in the IUP Arboretum—trees are planted seasonally (8481)

\$1,500 ☐ Bench in the IUP Arboretum (8481)

Other: \$_____ (notification of your gift will be sent to the person honored, or the person you designate to receive notification of a memorial)

This gift is made by:

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Please charge my gift of \$_____ to my

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April Harvey, a son, Scott David, January 23, 2006. To JONALYN SANTELLI SCHACHNER '90 and Rick Schachner, a daughter, Lily Anna, May 11, 2005. To ANN MARIE SCHNELLER CADY '91 and Lonnie Cady, a daughter, Molly Elizabeth, September 3, 2005. To GREGORY TREXLER '92 and LAURA HEILIG-TREXLER '93, a daughter, Emma Frances, November 10, 2005. To HEATHER SINDELAR CLARK '93 and Randy Clark, triplets, Jackson Reed, Emily Renee, and Sarah Elizabeth, December 5, 2002, and a daughter, Mary McClure, July 22, 2005. To RUTH ANN ROWLEY CLARK '93 and

James Clark, a daughter, Josephine Elise, August 13, 2002, and a son, Nicholas Andrew, November 22, 2005. To MEG MCLEAN MCBRIDE '93 and Harry McBride, a daughter, Erin Elizabeth, April 21, 2005. To KAREN WEIRBACK COSNER '94 and Duane Cosner, a daughter, Anna Faith, August 12, 2005. To KRISTIN McCUE BENNETT '95 and Michael Bennett, a daughter, Kayla Elizabeth, May 3, 2005. To ANDREA IACONE GRAHAM '96 and Anthony Graham, a daughter, Julia Elizabeth, November 7, 2005. To STACI CORDELL HAHN '96, M'99 and Robert Hahn, a son, Thomas Robert, August 2, 2005. To

JENNIFER JOHNSON HAND '96 and TROY HAND '96, a son, Nathaniel Alexander, June 7, 2005. To LINDA THOMPSON CHRISTOPHER '97 and Brian Christopher, a son, Owen Michael, November 9, 2005. To CHAD COOKE '97, M'01 and Kelli Cooke, a daughter, Jillian Paris, May 14, 2005. To HEATHER BOWDEN OGLESBY '97 and Douglas Oglesby, a daughter, Kenyon Paige, January 6, 2006. To MELISSA LONG OLIVER '97, M'03 and Michael Oliver, a daughter, Madelyn Elizabeth, December 29, 2001, and a son, Mason Michael, November 26, 2005. To JESSIE HACHTMAN DUCKRO '98 and

Mark Duckro, a son, Zachary Edward, December 11, 2005. To JESSICA WOLFE BUENO '99 and Anthony Bueno, a daughter, Mia Gabriella, July 7, 2005.

2000s

To AMANDA MARINO MURRAY '00 and David Murray, a son, Peyton David, November 9, 2005.

Deaths

(Note: All class years are for bachelor's degrees [even though the deceased may also have received an IUP graduate degree], unless otherwise indicated.)

1921: Ruth Hochberg Woodruff
1922: Helen Allen McDowell
1927: Helen Byers Lunn, Harriet Dean Weaver
1928: Dorothy Pair Fortney, Helen Bowser Sweka

1930: Frances Malone Studebaker
1932: Blair Studebaker
1933: Albert Esterline, Sandra Loria Taylor
1936: Gwendolyn Evans Askew
1937: Mary Martha Drynan
Emmert, Twila Hoover
1939: Blair Thomas Leonard

1940: Ruth Lyke Gall, Eleanor Moser Magness
1942: Beth Macpherson Landis, Eugene Spence
1943: Roena Fee Work
1944: Jane Wetzel Domalakes, Esther Slone Savage
1945: Dorothy Adamson
O'Hara
1946: Mary Jo Cretcher
McGee
1949: Harold Wilson

1950: Arch Stewart
1951: William Starr
1952: Rose Anne Barber, Phyllis Broeseker King
1953: William Koehler, June Waterhouse
Spencer, William Stormer
1954: Dorothy King Kapsa, William Pasternak
1956: Robert McCullough
1957: Charles Pote
1958: Louise McDivitt Wagner

1961: Elizabeth Gallo Keller, Olive Sherman McMillen
1963: Muriel Grazier
1964: Thomas Fulcomer, William Klingensmith
1965: Eugene Thomas
1966: William Smith
1968: Carol Difatta, Glenda Sweger, Doris Blough Weaver
1969: Glenda Shaffer Hagan, Alfred Mignogna

1970: Donna Maffei Dentler
1971: Larue Lovelace, Richard Smith*

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Please note: News that appears in this issue arrived in the magazine office on or before February 20. If your news came in after that date, it will appear in the Summer issue. News for that issue must arrive in the magazine office no later than **May 19**. News arriving after that date will appear in the Fall, 2006, issue. **News for Class Notes, Weddings, and Arrivals must be reported either by or with the explicit approval of the subject(s). Photos become the magazine's property and may or may not be returned.**

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Mercyhurst, April 25, 1:00 p.m.

at Lock Haven, April 28, 1:00 p.m.

Lock Haven, April 29, 1:00 p.m.

Softball

at Clarion, April 21, 2:30 p.m.

at California, April 22, 1:00 p.m.

at Lock Haven, April 28, 2:30 p.m.

at Slippery Rock, April 29, 1:00 p.m.

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Other Deaths

Alice Tear Ghrist, a faculty member in the Art Department from 1963 to 1970 and also taught at Keith School, died November 28, 2005.

Linda Hill, a university staff member, associated principally with the Music Department, from 1987 until her retirement in 1999, died January 6, 2006.

Stephen Ware, who taught in the Economics Department from 1969 until his retirement in 1999, died February 2, 2006. Many may remember his walking his Doberman and Great Danes behind Keith Hall.



Keith Boyer

STICKY SITUATION: Surrounded by pans of cooling peanut brittle, Laurie Frisina Kuzneski '93 balances an Indiana, Pa., cottage industry with the demands of family life (a husband and three small children). In its third holiday season recently, Miss Laurie's Gourmet Kitchen produced more than 1,100 pounds of various varieties of brittles. Customers around the country order through a website. In addition to the usual flavors, chile and jalapeno are offered, and in addition to the holidays, "brittle" occasions include wedding showers, parties, and fund-raisers.

Mentors



Mentors is a feature that highlights and reports on IUP faculty members, past and present. News of alumni who are also faculty members will continue to appear in Class Notes as well.

An urban education specialist, **GEORGE BIEGER** of the Professional Studies in Education Department is exploring the possibility of developing on-line courses in conjunction with three European cities and two American universities through the European Teacher Education Network. With increasing ethnic diversity in American schools, Bieger believes in the need to develop a heightened sense of cultural awareness. For instance, he cited that at Eisenhower Elementary in Indiana, there are nine non-native, English-speaking students out of a kindergarten classroom of thirty-five pupils. "Even in a place like Indiana, which we think of as isolated, we still have an influx of international students," Bieger said. "We think it's important for future teachers to appreciate and celebrate these things."

An impressively high number of faculty in the Educational and School Psychology Department have been invited to contribute chapters to *Best Practices in School Psychology*, which is published every five years by the National Association of School Psychologists. "This really demonstrates that the IUP school psychology program is a nationally and internationally recognized program," said **EDWARD LEVINSON**, interim chairperson of the department. Contributors are chosen based on their expertise in certain areas of school psychology. From IUP, **JOSEPH KOVALESKI** (the author of two chapters), **LEVINSON**, and **MARY ANN RAFOTH**, interim dean of the College of Education and Educational Technology, will contribute to the book. **Rafoth** will coauthor her chapter with **BECKY KNICKELBEIN**.

Geoscience faculty member **STEVE HOVAN** has been appointed to a three-year term on the U.S. Advisory Committee for Ocean Drilling, which provides direction to the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program through National Science Foundation funding and support.

Special Education and Clinical Services faculty member **RICH NOWELL** has been appointed to the advisory board for *chineseaudiology.com*, a website that strives to establish audiology as a profession in China. This follows his work at West China University of Medical Sciences in the summers of 2001, 2002, and 2004.

ROBERT SAYLOR not only taught courses in psychology and counselor education at IUP before his retirement in 1983, but he served twenty-four years in the U.S. Army Reserve, in addition to eight years on active duty. In 1942, the year he enlisted in the Army, men from a Roaring Spring church presented him and other hometown soldiers and sailors with a devotional book called *Strength for Service to God and Country*. Saylor relied on the book throughout his World War II service and then passed it along to his son, Linford Saylor '76. The younger Saylor retired from the Army as a lieutenant colonel and won the Bronze Star during the Persian Gulf War. In recent years, Robert Saylor and his wife, Dee, have distributed more than a hundred of the devotionals from their Windber home to those engaged in a new war. Their efforts were recognized by the *Johnstown Tribune-Democrat*, which designated them Persons of the Week.

IUP faculty members have received a \$370,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a three-year project to evaluate and improve the state of nutritional counseling available through the Pennsylvania Department of Health's Division of Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). The award from the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service is the first special project grant that has been obtained by Pennsylvania researchers. **STEPHANIE TAYLOR-DAVIS** and **MIA BARKER** of the Food and Nutrition Department, along with **WILLIAM BARKER** of Educational and School Psychology, are collaborating on the project with WIC personnel.

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For such a latecomer, Mindy Sawtelle sure made a habit of arriving early.

At the finish line, that is.

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By Bob Fulton

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Sawtelle launched her IUP running career at the advanced age of thirty, but that didn't stop the mother of two from regularly humbling competitors ten years her junior. By the time Sawtelle graduated in December, she had collected eight All-America certificates and won nine Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference championships in track and cross country.

Those achievements were all the more extraordinary given that, in a typical day, Sawtelle was compelled to pull off a balancing act worthy of the Wallendas.

"She had all those responsibilities—not only marriage, but taking care of two children and making sure their needs were met—while she went to school and competed," said cross country coach Ed Fry. "Plus, she always had a part-time job while she went to school."

Good thing Sawtelle possesses exceptional aerobic capacity, for she scarcely had time to catch her breath. Besides raising eleven-year-old Kirsten and three-year-old Kylen with her husband, Scott, she kept working, kept running, kept up with her studies. In fact, Sawtelle finished with a cumulative 3.49 grade-point average as a Physical Education and Sport major.

But at times the burden proved so overwhelming she felt like the mythical Atlas, seemingly straining to carry the weight of the world on her shoulders.

"This past semester was especially rough," Sawtelle said. "I had two night classes, I was running, I was working twenty hours a week as a secretary in Dr. [Richard] Fanella's office—it was very time-consuming. My day was planned from beginning to

nightfall. I don't know how I functioned. Sometimes I'd be like a zombie. My teammates were really good about getting me through it."

Those teammates, when not providing encouragement, often stood in awe of Sawtelle. Last fall, despite the myriad demands on her time, she ran as well as ever. Sawtelle earned PSAC Athlete of the Year honors in cross country, captured the NCAA Division II East Region title and East Region Athlete of the Year honors, and wound up sixteenth at nationals in Pomona, Calif., leading IUP to a tenth-place finish in the team standings.

"Running cross country and track on top of having a family has to be really hard," said junior Nicole Blaesser, who joined Sawtelle as an all-region selection. "I think

we all kind of look up to her, being able to balance everything and still be so successful. I definitely admire her for that."

What's remarkable, given her hectic schedule, isn't so much that Sawtelle competed at the varsity level, but that she excelled. In three seasons as IUP's foremost distance threat (Sawtelle sat out her freshman year), she collected three All-America honors in cross country, two in indoor track, and three in outdoor track. That total equaled sprinter Amber Plowden, a 2002 graduate, for the most ever by an IUP runner.

"Eight-time All-American—that does sound pretty neat," Sawtelle said. "But I wish it would have been better. My goal was to get a national championship. I almost did."

Sawtelle placed second—the highest finish ever by an IUP cross country competitor—at the 2003 NCAA Division II meet in Cary, N.C. Buffeted by adversity at every turn, she somehow persevered, calling on some deep reservoir of determination to pass Janet Kogo of Harding on the final hill and secure the runner-up spot.

Sawtelle covered the 6,000-meter distance in 20:59.0, trailing only Chelsea Smith of BYU-Hawaii (20:33.9).

"She made a couple mistakes in that race—she went out a little too fast and she went the wrong way in the beginning," said Fry, who was named the PSAC Coach of the Year in cross country last fall for the fourth time. "But she hung on and came back for second. That just shows her true heart."

Sawtelle's grit and tenacity were also in evidence at the 2004 Division II meet in Evansville, Ind.

"There were a lot of times where she had to drive through some stuff where I know another person would have just given up," Fry said. "For example, her second cross country nationals. It was really muddy and she fell twice, but somehow she still managed eighth place. And she had some physical problems that she fought through. She was pretty brave."

And yet, Sawtelle can't recall that race without dissolving into laughter. The reason? She inadvertently "undressed" a stunned competitor.

"I started down this little slope, and it was so muddy I started to fall," Sawtelle said. "Well, what do you do when you fall? You grab whatever's in front of you. I took down this girl's shorts. I'll never forget that. I

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remember she was wearing blue butt-huggers. We had to run this loop again, and the second time I fell and rolled down the hill. The last half-mile of the race it was uphill, in the mud and in cat litter [used to aid traction], and you're literally on your hands and knees. I was a mess by this point. So I get to the finish line and I'm dying laughing."

Sawtelle's third and final season of cross country was no laughing matter, as she battled physical ailments throughout the fall. Not that they slowed her much. Sawtelle set a course record at Lock Haven while winning the East Region title, then was the top finisher out of the region at nationals for the third straight year. Her sixteenth-place performance in California is a testament to her fortitude: Eight runners ahead of Sawtelle keeled over from the ninety-degree temperatures, but she forged on and added to her collection of All-America honors.

That Sawtelle ran at all last season speaks to her dedication.

"I had, not an injury, but a stomach problem, I guess you could call it," she said. "That affected me a lot. I

actually had a doctor's excuse to quit running. I showed the note to Coach Fry and he said, 'Well, what's this mean?' I said, 'I don't know, I think it says I should quit.' But I wasn't going to do that."

After all, this is a woman who couldn't conceive of life without running even after conceiving. Sawtelle entered a local race while ten weeks pregnant with Kylen (she won), continued running on a treadmill until the day she delivered, and made her IUP debut barely four months after giving birth. Sawtelle claimed All-America honors eight weeks later with a fourth-place finish in the 10,000-meter run at the Division II track meet.

She capped her career in California last fall as an eight-time All-American, a nine-time PSAC champion, and the winner of races ranging from 1,500 to 10,000 meters, over flat tracks and rolling hills, through snow, rain, mud, and, yes, even kitty litter.

Mindy Sawtelle, at the age of thirty, might have been a latecomer to intercollegiate athletics. But when it came to reaching the finish line, she was invariably an early arrival. ☺

Mindy Sawtelle with her children, Kirsten, left, and Kylen, husband, Scott, and dogs, Sydney, left, and Opie.



FULL CIRCLE

In the fall of 1967, Bill Neal, Frank Cignetti, and Lou Teppor toiled together in the same office at the University of Pittsburgh.

Assistants under head coach Dave Hart, they were destined to later reunite, in a sense, when the course of their coaching careers, by divergent routes, led to IUP. Three men who once pledged allegiance to the blue and gold ultimately cast their lot with the crimson and gray.

Neal, Hart's defensive coordinator, directed the Indians for nine years (1970-78). Cignetti raised the program's national profile in his twenty seasons as head coach before retiring in November. Now Teppor is at the helm, providing yet another link to that long-ago Pitt staff.

"Frank and I first met in 1967 at the University of Pittsburgh," said Teppor, who spent the last six years piloting Edinboro to a 40-26 record, three Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference West co-championships, and two NCAA Division II playoff berths. "I was a graduate assistant doing my master's work. Frank was there as a quarterbacks coach. I did all the grunt work that graduate assistants do. My prime job was to make sure the coffee and donuts were ready every morning."

Teppor should be flagged for excessive modesty, for Cignetti recalls not a go-fer, but a go-getter in whom he discerned qualities that augured success in the profession.

"You can always tell young coaches that have great potential," said Cignetti, "just by their work ethic, their commitment to football, their passion for the game."

Those attributes have served Teppor well. He has won big games as a head coach and turned out some of the most dominant defenses in the nation as an assistant at Virginia Tech, Colorado, Illinois, and Louisiana State. Teppor spent five seasons as head coach of the Fighting Illini, posting a 25-31-

At a news conference that announced the new coach's hiring in January, Lou Teppor, foreground, and president Tony Atwater fielded questions from the media.

Keith Boyer



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2 record, including a pair of victories over Big Ten heavyweight Ohio State, a win at Michigan before a crowd of 106,385 in the "Big House," and a 30-0 rout of East Carolina in the 1994 Liberty Bowl.

He later resurrected the program at Edinboro. Teppor led the Fighting Scots to a 26-7 record over the past three seasons, including an NCAA playoff victory in 2004, and was twice named PSAC West Coach of the Year.

His credentials surely caught the eye of everyone on the IUP search committee.

"There are very few coaches in the country at any level who have developed the

résumé that Lou Teppor brings to IUP," said athletic director Frank Condino. "The fact that someone with his history of success would target IUP for his next coaching position strongly indicates the position the university has in the football community."

It was Teppor's Edinboro team, ironically enough, that knocked IUP out of playoff contention in 2003 and 2004. His 2005 squad handed the Indians yet another setback, making Teppor one of only two coaches (Slippery Rock's George Mihalik is the other) to deal Cignetti back-to-back-to-back defeats during his transcendent reign at IUP.

"I know this: There aren't many coaches—in fact, there's probably no one—who had a winning record against Frank Cignetti," said Teppor, who was 3-3 against his predecessor. "Probably most everybody had a losing record against him."

When the former Pitt quarterbacks coach stepped down, the former Pitt grad assistant stepped forward as a candidate for the job. There are three reasons IUP appealed to Teppor.

"One is location, both for my family and for recruiting," he said. "We're in the heart of the WPIAL. Second is tradition. There's no school in this conference with a more storied football tradition than IUP. And third is the vision of the administration here for the future."

Teppor might also have mentioned family ties to the university. His wife, Karen, majored in chemistry at IUP and graduated in 1968. Teppor's sister, Nancy Ondrejick, received her IUP degree in 1958. And his father-in-law, Bill Oleszewski, played football for the Indians before graduating in 1949.

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BY BOB FULTON

Name Droppers



BY BOB FULTON

Carmine Cortazzo '70 sought only stability for the foundering women's volleyball program he inherited in 1998. As it turned out, his grasp far exceeded his reach. Cortazzo led IUP to a 185-86 record and six consecutive NCAA Division II tournament berths before relinquishing his coaching duties in January. He will remain as an assistant professor in the Department of Health and Physical Education. "Trying to be a full-time professor and a full-time coach just got to be too much," said Cortazzo. "It's a big responsibility, and time became a real consideration for me. This was probably as good a time as any to step away." Cortazzo seemingly accepted a dead-end job eight years ago—IUP teams had staggered to a 29-100 record over the previous five seasons—but he recruited tirelessly, brought in standouts such as three-time Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference West Player of the Year **Laura Hall '03**, and transformed the Indians from pretenders to contenders. Cortazzo wanted stability, but IUP went far beyond that, his tenure highlighted by a 33-4 record and a PSAC championship in 2002. "I never dreamed that we would experience that kind of success," said Cortazzo, a three-time American Volleyball Coaches Association Atlantic Region Coach of the Year and two-time PSAC West Coach of the Year. "I guess we did sort of exceed expectations. It was neat we were able to go beyond stability and start something of a winning tradition here."

Brittany Gates earned multiple individual honors while leading



Cortazzo's final team to a 25-11 record. The senior middle blocker made the PSAC West first team for the third straight year, was an AVCA Atlantic Region and Daktronics Atlantic Region first-team all-star, a CoSIDA Academic All-District II second-team choice, and an honorable mention AVCA Division II All-American. Junior middle blocker **Trisha Gerus**, who ranked seventh nationally in hitting percentage (.420), joined Gates on the AVCA Atlantic Region all-star squad and was a second-team All-PSAC West selection.

Frank Cignetti, Jr. '87 left Fresno State after serving four years as offensive coordinator to accept an identical role at North Carolina. Under Cignetti, the Bulldogs ranked seventh nationally in total offense this past season and were fifth in 2004. The son of long-time IUP head coach **Frank Cignetti '60, M'65** will enjoy a family reunion of sorts November 18 when the Tar Heels welcome North Carolina State to Kenan Stadium. Older brother Curt is the Wolfpack's quarterbacks coach.

Junior forward **Suzanne Cor-**

nelissen and senior midfielder **Kandice Pyles** earned first-team berths and sophomore defender **Liz Martini** was a second-team selection on the Dartfish/National Field Hockey Coaches Association Division II All-America squad. Cornelissen was also a first-team pick on the [womensfieldhockey.com](http://www.womensfieldhockey.com) All-America squad, Pyles and Martini were accorded second-team berths, and freshman midfielder **Sylvia Guerrieri** was named to the all-rookie squad. Cornelissen, who has scored fifty-three goals in her two seasons at IUP—one short of the school record—is a finalist for the NCAA Division II Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year Award. The winner will be selected at the close of the spring sports season.

Senior pitchers **Alex Gett** and **Mike Tatarko** were named as fall semester recipients of IUP's Chacivty Award, which recognizes students who exhibit character, civility, and integrity in a way that is uplifting to the IUP community. Gett and Tatarko have participated in IUP baseball/United Way of Indiana County fundraising events.

The national spotlight fell last fall on **Molly Shattuck '89**, who debuted with the Baltimore Ravens cheerleading squad at the age of thirty-eight. Shattuck, an energetic mother of three who will again cheer for the team this season, appeared on *20/20*, *Today*, and in *Sports Illustrated* and *USA Today*. "To get the kind of attention that I did was wildly unexpected," she said. "I was just focused on doing the best job that I could. I didn't even realize

I was the oldest cheerleader in the NFL. I had no idea I'd get all that publicity."

Freshman linebacker **Terrence Jackson** was named the PSAC West Rookie of the Year, the second IUP football player in as many years to win the award, following linebacker **Kirby Griffin**. Jackson was also a second-team All-PSAC West selection. Seven other Indians landed all-conference berths, including three on the first team: junior running back **Chris Morgan**, who ranked fourteenth nationally in rushing (127.6 yards per game); sophomore wide receiver **Anthony Cellitti**; and senior cornerback **Victor Callahan**. Other second-team picks were sophomore defensive tackle **Matt Scott**, senior cornerback **Jerrell Jackson**, junior guard Beau Elliott, and junior tackle **Jason Capizzi**.

Junior forward **Erin Falce** was named to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-Northeast Region second team after leading the Indians in goals (11), assists (7), and points (29) last season. Falce, who extended her school-record career totals to fifty-four goals and 132 points, also earned a spot on the CoSIDA Academic All-District II second team.

Wide receiver **LeRon McCoy '05** started four games with the Arizona Cardinals during his rookie season and caught eighteen passes for 191 yards and a touchdown. The TD came on a two-yard pass from Kurt Warner in the team's 17-13 loss to Washington December 11. McCoy is the third IUP grad to score in an NFL game, joining wide receiver **Dave Smith '70** and tight end

John Jones '00.

The St. Louis Rams hired **Jim Haslett '91** as their defensive coordinator after he was dismissed by the New Orleans Saints, with whom he posted a 45-51 record in six years as head coach. The displaced Saints suffered through a turbulent 3-13 season after Hurricane Katrina ravaged New Orleans and forced the team to relocate to Texas. Haslett was named the NFL Coach of the Year in 2000, when he led the Saints to a division title and the first playoff victory in franchise history.

Ben McAdoo '00, who served under Haslett and worked closely with offensive line coach **Jack Henry '69** as New Orleans' quality control coach in 2004, has been named tight ends coach of the Green Bay Packers. McAdoo spent the 2005 season as an assistant offensive line coach with the San Francisco 49ers.

Marcy Schwam '75 was inducted into the American Ultrarunning Hall of Fame for her pioneering efforts in the

sport, which has surged in popularity of late. Schwam, who played tennis at IUP, became the first woman to complete the annual seventy-two-mile race around Lake Tahoe in 1978, set a world record for running 113 miles in twenty-four hours, and also established world standards for 100-mile and 100-kilometer races. In 1981, Schwam set another world mark by covering 384 miles in a six-day event in Pennsauken, N.J. "I think the part about the induction that's most rewarding is being acknowledged as one of the ones that kind of led the way," Schwam said. "When I started doing this, which was literally right after graduating from college, there were so few people doing it. People didn't really know what the human body could do or didn't challenge themselves, women especially. What's pleasing to me is that so many people are now going out and challenging themselves." Schwam heads Reebok's Global Walking Division in Canton, Mass. 🐾

IUP *Continued from page 27* Full Circle

Despite growing up in the Westmoreland County hamlet of Keystone, located only about thirty miles from campus, Tepper bypassed IUP in favor of Rutgers after graduating from Derry High School. He played defensive back for the Scarlet Knights, received a B.S. degree in physical education, and then embarked on his coaching career, joining Neal and Cignetti at Pitt.

He has now come full circle, returning to his home area as IUP's tenth head coach. Tepper will count on the ninth for assistance as he navigates the treacherous waters of the PSAC.

"Frank Cignetti is a living legend. He is a tremendous resource for me," Tepper said. "He can't visit me too many times, he can't call me too many times, he can't give me advice too often."

Cignetti feels comfortable passing the torch to Tepper, although he did lobby for Tom Rogish—his loyal, long-time assistant, who remains on the staff—to succeed him.

"I just think Tom should've been given that opportunity," Cignetti said. "But I have great respect for Lou Tepper as a coach. There's no doubt that the program's in good hands. He'll do a great job with it." 🐾

IUP *Continued from page 1* Rebuild & Renew



rich, brilliant tone quality," Wilson said. She gave up Saturdays to take private lessons in the French Quarter with the second hornist in the New Orleans Symphony Orchestra.

"Practice became just a way of life," Wilson said. Soon she was auditioning at universities. Wilson

would end up majoring in music close to home at Xavier University in New Orleans.

She has used that education to spread a love of music to young people of all ages. Over three decades, Wilson worked within the New Orleans public school system. She taught elementary instrumental music. Then she coordinated a program to find gifted and talented students in the arts.

Finally, she served as the supervisor of music for the entire school system—180 schools in all. "I was a staff of one," she said.

Along the way, Wilson earned a master's degree in music education from Loyola University New Orleans. In 1987, she was drawn by an acquaintance from Loyola to Ball State University in Indiana to complete her doctorate. A chance meeting in the state of Indiana would bring her to IUP.

While Wilson was studying at Ball State, an IUP psychology professor was visiting for a workshop. He asked her to send him her résumé and said he'd pass it on to the music department. Wilson did not think anything would come of it until she got a call from IUP in the summer of 1991.

She interviewed at IUP on her way to Thailand for a Fulbright group study-abroad program. "I liked what I heard about the music department and the beauty of Western Pennsylvania," she said.

That fall—after returning from Thailand and getting to New Orleans in time to pack her things—she started teaching music education courses at IUP. Over the years, she has taught both undergraduate and graduate courses in the department. She also developed a class about the history and culture of New Orleans.

Wilson last taught the course in the summer of 2005. "I will teach the course again in September, 2006," Wilson said. "That was a very difficult decision for me to confirm I would really teach the course again."

The class will change, of course, probably looking at the city in the past, present, and future. "I'd also like the class to look at alternatives and strategies for rebuilding," Wilson said.

If anyone can talk about rebuilding, it is Wilson. After all, Cogswell Hall has swelled from four classrooms to six. It has twice as many practice rooms as before.

One room is large enough to fit the entire department—350 students plus faculty and staff. In the music library, electronic bookcases can open and close at the touch of a button.

There's room to spread out and room to grow. "We're on the site of the old," Wilson said, "but it's in no way the same." 🐾

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BRIGHT SPOT: Members of the National Art Education Association Student Chapter at IUP painted a mural last winter that brightens a cafeteria at Pittsburgh's Children's Hospital. The chapter also was recognized last month at the NAEA'S national convention in Chicago as the association's Most Outstanding Student Chapter.